

Winter Afternoon at Hanasaari

Thursday 11 February 2010



From Animosity to Close Friendship in Finnish-Swedish Relationship, 1920–1940

*A seminar directed to Ambassadors accredited to Finland and
Directors of international organizations in Helsinki*

PROGRAMME

14.00

Welcoming Words

CEO Gunvor Kronman, Hanasaari – the Swedish-Finnish Cultural Centre

Dearest of Enemies: Images of Sweden in Finnish Press 1918–1939

Ph.D. Ainur Elmgren, University of Lund

Power Politics and Neighbourhood: The Winter War (1939–1940) as the Existential Lesson in Finnish History

Professor Henrik Meinander, University of Helsinki

Great Power Interest vs. Small State Solidarity during the Winter War: the Swedish Perspective

Professor Krister Wahlbäck, Stockholm

Discussion

Moderator: Minister Pär Stenbäck, Chairman of the Swedish-Finnish Cultural
Foundation

Closing Words

Ambassador Johan Molander, Embassy of Sweden

16.30-17.30 **Reception**

